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## Parish Office

645 Main Street  
Warren, RI 02885  
Mondays-Thursdays 9am-12nn

## New Members

If you are new to our parish, please take a moment to register through our parish website or by phone. Welcome!

## Mass Schedule

Monday through Friday at 8am  
Saturday at 4pm  
Sunday at 8am & 10:30am  
Sabbath@Sundown Sunday evening  
Mass at 6pm

## Confessions

Confessions are heard in the Reconciliation Chapel at the rear of the church on Saturdays at 3pm or anytime by appointment. Please note that the chapel accommodates both anonymous and face-to-face confessions.

## Baptisms

Baptisms are typically celebrated at one Sunday Mass per month. Please contact Deacon John Pryor at 401.245.7000, extension 14, for more information. Private baptisms may also be arranged.

## Weddings

Please call the parish office to discuss wedding preparations at least one year in advance of the intended date.

## SMB Mountain Movers

Milly Grieve, *Coordinator of Children's Ministries*  
Email: [smbmountainmovers@gmail.com](mailto:smbmountainmovers@gmail.com)

## SMB Food Pantry

The Food Pantry operates out of the lower church hall and is open on Tuesdays from 3pm to 5pm and on Wednesdays from 9am to 11am.  
Wendy Baker, *Director*  
Phone: 401.245.7000, ext. 19  
Email: [smbfoodpantry@gmail.com](mailto:smbfoodpantry@gmail.com)

## Parish Outreach

Parishioners and members of the local community in need should contact the rectory for assistance.  
Phone: 401.245.7000, ext. 13

## St. Gabriel's Call

St. Gabriel's Call provides emotional and practical support to families in need, including diapers, baby clothing and much more.  
Barbara Fisher, *Coordinator*  
Phone: 401.245.7000, ext. 20

# Welcome to Saint Mary of the Bay

No matter what your present status is in the Catholic Church, no matter your current family or marital status, no matter your personal history, age, income, background, gender, race, ethnicity or spirituality, no matter your own self-image of holiness or virtue, you are welcome here! You are invited, accepted and respected at Saint Mary of the Bay. We hope to share our Roman Catholic way of faith and life in Christ with you!



# Mass Intentions

Due to early publication deadlines for Holy Week and Easter, several Mass intentions were not published in the bulletin. We regret the omission and include a full listing of last week's intentions below.

## Second Week of Easter

### Monday, April 25

8am: For all parishioners

### Tuesday, April 26

8am: Fr. Joseph Santos  
*Requested by Nancy Edler*

### Wednesday, April 27

8am: Al & Gerry Maier  
*Requested by their daughters*

### Thursday, April 28

8am: John Edward Conley Jr, 33rd Anniversary & Bernice Lapan Conley, 17th Anniversary  
*Requested by the family*

## Third Week of Easter

### Saturday, April 30

4pm: Maureen Sherry Castriotta, Fifth Anniversary  
*Requested by her daughter, Mary Ellen McShane*

### Sunday, May 1

8am: For all parishioners  
10:30am: Mary Gifford  
*Requested by the SMB Outreach Committee*  
6pm: Guilhermina Toti  
*Requested by Mr. & Mrs. Jeffrey Hawkins*

### Monday, May 2

8am: Marion McCabe, 7th Anniversary  
*Requested by Nancy & Alvin Edler*

### Tuesday, May 3

8am: Robert Estrella  
*Requested by Anthony DaPonte*

## Fourth Sunday of Easter

### Saturday, May 7

4pm: William MacDougall  
*Requested by his wife and children*

### Sunday, May 8

8am: Mary E. Duffy  
10:30am: Gloria Nunes  
*Requested by the family*  
6pm: For all parishioners



# Stewardship

## Weekend of April 9 & 10, 2022

Budget Envelopes: **\$3,831.00** Loose: **\$2,782.00**  
Online: **\$2,267.00**  
(Average Online Gift: \$50.38 Number of Users: 45)  
Total: **\$8,880.00**

## Weekend of April 16 & 17, 2022

Budget Envelopes: **\$2,725.00** Loose: **\$2,862.00**  
Online: **\$2,677.00**  
(Average Online Gift: \$65.29 Number of Users: 41)  
Total: **\$8,264.00**

## Weekend of April 23 & 24, 2022

Budget Envelopes: **\$2,841.00** Loose: **\$1,254.00**  
Online: **\$2,122.00**  
(Average Online Gift: \$47.16 Number of Users: 45)  
Total: **\$6,217.00**

**Monthly Maintenance: \$1,752.00**  
**Good Friday (Holy Land): 1,231.00**  
**Easter Offering (Catholic Charities): \$2,270.00**

## Catholic Charity Appeal

2022 Parish Goal: \$58,900.00  
Amount Pledged: \$54,614.00  
Difference: **-\$4,286.00**



# Please Take Note

## George P. Flynn & Anna M. Flynn Designated Scholarship

This four-year scholarship is open to all students in good standing who are active parishioners of St. Mary of the Bay Church and have received their Catholic confirmation, entering (as freshmen) a four-year college/university. The application form is available on our website: [www.stmaryofthebay.org](http://www.stmaryofthebay.org). Please complete the application, along with the required essay and return it to the Parish Office by July 1 with a copy of your high school GPA report.

Historically, the annual award has been approximately \$1000 for each year of college.

If you have any questions, please call 401-245-7000 x14 and leave a message.

# A Joyful Message



Hooray to the month of May! This month will find us revving up our lawn mowers, and finally putting away our winter wear for the season. Some of us may have begun preparations for college graduations among our family and friends, with commencement exercises taking place near and far. Congratulations to all our young parishioners who are donning their caps and gowns, and bearing diplomas at last!

I'm brought back to my own memories of my college years in the Back Bay section of Boston, MA. I totally enjoyed my courses in architecture, and I recall one outstanding teacher, Mrs. O'Connor, who was in her early 80's. A retired architect herself, she was the first woman to ever graduate from MIT in Boston (Massachusetts Institute of Technology). As she stood in the front of our classroom, she would swing her right arm toward the large bow windows that offered up a full view of the landmark brownstone buildings nearby. With one gnarled finger pointing beyond the glass, she would exclaim, "SEE what you're looking at!" She would proclaim that statement often. In other words, don't just look at things as you pass by, but truly see what it is that your sight is taking in. That may have been the most useful concept that I learned throughout my college years, and I remember it still, to "SEE what you're looking at!"

Years later, I would undertake a 9-month course in ecospirituality, connecting the science of ecology with spirituality. My studies took place on the grounds of the Dominican Sisters of Sparkill, located on the banks of the Hudson River in upstate New York. One of my teachers was a Jesuit priest, who excelled in describing how God was constantly revealed to us through Nature. One morning, as Fr John was wrapping up his lesson, he instructed us to go outside for an hour, to walk around the campus and experience God's hand in the natural world. We were then instructed to return at the allotted

time, and report on our outdoor encounter with the Divine.

Hmmmm...where to start? There were plenty of options available on this wide swath of waterfront property. I decided to walk down a winding gravel road that led to the hermitages. It was early May, and the air was mild and bright. Twenty minutes of ambling down this path, I found myself thinking of Mrs. O'Connor's words, "SEE what you're looking at!" With a gradual change in landscape, I arrived in a deeply wooded area. Rows of maple trees were growing side-by-side, forming two leafy panels of spring growth on either edge of the road. A canopy of fresh green buds and lacy maple fronds sheltered me overhead. I was surrounded by green, and in a way that is still difficult to describe, I had an intense experience of green. Green, the color of new life. Green, the color of hope. I slowly circled in a clockwise direction, stopping from time-to-time, taking in this profound appreciation for one color. Unconsciously, my arms extended and rose from either side, like branches reaching out to the sky. It was an unfamiliar, yet authentic form of prayer, a spontaneous reaching upward to the Divine meeting me in that moment.

When I returned to class to describe my experience, I feared it might sound a bit ridiculous. As best I could, I shared my encounter of "God As Green." My teacher, Fr John, seemed to understand. I think Mrs. O'Connor would have approved. As unique as this was for me at the time, I believe that there are countless opportunities for all of us to discover this type of sacred moment when our God is revealed to us anew, in ways we could not have imagined.

While springtime is in full flourish, let's take a focused look at what surrounds us, meeting the Divine in spaces and places that are just waiting for us to take notice.

*"And every time,  
glory comes all over again as a fresh wave,  
a new revelation, a secret long kept,  
which has burst from the lips of God."*

--excerpt from "Glory Happening: Finding the Divine in Everyday Places" by Kaitlin B. Curtice

Until next month,  
~Joy Jennings

## Sabbath@Sundown

Sunday Mass at 6pm in Saint Mary of the Bay  
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## Men of St. Joseph

The next meeting of the Men of St. Joseph of St. Mary of the Bay Parish will take place on **Wednesday, May 18<sup>th</sup>**, beginning at **6:30pm** in the narthex of the church.

All men of our parish, 16 and older, are invited to attend.

Questions?

Contact our Chapter Leader, Tony Razza, at [razzatrans@aol.com](mailto:razzatrans@aol.com)



*Saint Joseph was a just man, a tireless worker, the upright guardian of those entrusted to his care. May he always guard, protect and enlighten families.*

-Pope Saint John Paul II

## SMB Food Pantry



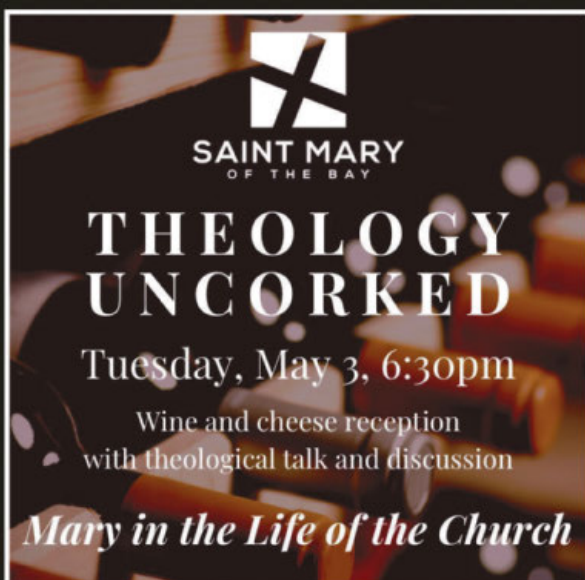
Thank you to our parishioners and guests who donated over 120 lbs of non-perishable food at the Holy Thursday Mass.


After two years, the Letter Carriers' **Stamp Out Hunger food drive** will again take place on **Saturday, May 14th**. Donors are asked to place a bag of non-perishable food next to their mailbox, which will be picked up by your letter carrier and brought to the church. All Warren donations will benefit our food pantry.

Do you have magnets you no longer use? The pantry can use them!

Please note: We are very grateful for your donations of food and clothes, but for safety reasons **we cannot accept donations that are left outside our doors**. If you would like to donate to our pantry, please leave the items in the baskets in the narthex, or contact us to make other arrangements. I hate to waste donations, but we are required to dispose of anything found outside. Thank you for your consideration.

-Wendy Baker



  
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### THEOLOGY UNCORKED

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